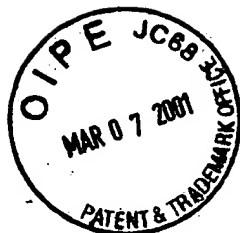


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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2800

Docket No. 35.G2254
Date: March 7, 2001

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

In re Application of: HIDEO KATO, ET AL.

Application No.: 09/159,775

For: ILLUMINATOR, EXPOSURE APPARATUS, AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING
DEVICE USING THE SAME

Filed: September 24, 1998

Group Art Unit: 2851

The Commissioner for Patents
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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals
and Interferences from the decision dated September 7, 2000, of the
Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1 through 3, 5 through 9,
11 through 13, 15 through 19, 22 through 25, 27 through 31 and 34.

The items checked below are appropriate.

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1. ☒ Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend
the time for response to the Office Action dated September 7, 2000,
from December 7, 2000 to March 7, 2001. Submitted herewith is a
check for \$890.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 CFR
1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be
charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of
this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

2. ☐ A Petition for an additional _____ month extension of time to take further action, together with the \$_____ extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17, was filed on _____.

3. ☒ Fee \$310.00

☐ Fee \$155.00 (Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.)

☒ Enclosed


☐ Not required (fee paid in prior appeal)

☐ Charge to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 (One additional copy of this Notice enclosed herewith)

4. ☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 CFR 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

5. ☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should be directed to our address given below.

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